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During this week we will make to your  
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SPRING SUITS FOR ONLY \$20—tailored  
in first-class style—by Washington tailors—  
and highest satisfaction guaranteed.

Don't wait a bit too soon to leave your  
order for a suit for Easter.

Haslett & Pistel,  
20th Century Tailors,  
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### When you want Fine Shirts.

Remember, you can get your needs best supplied  
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Time will quickly roll round. Team  
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the best in the world, and that we're sole  
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the coming season.

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## SKATE, BAT AND BOOM

The Arisa Wins the Games Yacht  
Race.

BASE BALL TEAMS IN TRAINING

O'Donoghue Takes the Champion-  
ship at the Rink.

WHIST GAMES NOTED

One of the largest crowds the ice rink  
has ever held since the opening night gath-  
ered Saturday evening to see the last race  
of the week between the fastest skaters  
of the United States and Canada. The race  
was for five miles, and was won by Joe  
Donoghue in the time of 17:07 1/2. The  
crowd was so large that when the time  
came for the ice to be cleared of skaters  
there was absolutely no place to put them,  
and they were obliged to stand on the sea's  
surrounding the ice tank. Some of the  
more venturesome climbed into the iron  
girders that support the roof, and every  
point of vantage was occupied by one or  
more anxiously watching every movement  
of the skaters.

Donoghue started off in the lead, but  
Davidson and Moshier took the pace after  
some laps had been gone over. Davidson  
did some spurring during the race, but  
could not get away from the Newburg boy,  
and the skaters entered the forty-ninth lap  
with Donoghue in the lead. Just as David-  
son was preparing to give one of his tricky  
little runs Donoghue surprised him by put-  
ting on terrific speed and skating straight  
away from him. The latter's spurt was  
such a splendid exhibition of speed skating  
that the spectators nearly went wild, and  
when he crossed the line about two feet  
in advance of Moshier, the skaters rushed  
after him as though they would throw  
him up to the roof. This race gives Dono-  
ghue the championship of the United  
States and Canada for indoor surfaces for  
five miles.

At 8 o'clock Harley Davidson tried to  
break Donoghue's world's record for one  
mile. Donoghue made it in 2:38 during his  
last engagement at the rink, and David-  
son thought he could lower it, but did not  
come within some seconds of it.

Moshier won the afternoon race Saturday  
for four miles in rather a surprising man-  
ner. Donoghue and Davidson were so busy  
watching each other's tricks that they paid  
no attention to Moshier, and when the time  
came that Moshier made a dash for it, he  
crossed the line, with Donoghue second  
and Davidson last. Messrs. Earle, Story  
and Cronin acted as judges Saturday night,  
and Messrs. Hutchins and Crook and Dr.  
H. H. Brower were the timekeepers. Man-  
ager Towers acted as starter.

SOUTHERN BASE BALL CLUBS.

A Lively Meeting Shows a Prosperous  
Condition and Good Outlook.

MOBILE, Ala., March 16.—The South-  
ern Association of base ball clubs met here  
yesterday afternoon. The session contin-  
ued until 10:30 o'clock last night. There  
was a lively dispute in the meeting,  
brought about by the Mobile club, which  
asked for certain concessions, and made  
a big kick about the manner in which it  
was treated by the league last year. The  
Mobile club was finally pacified and the  
business proceeded with. It was too late  
to adopt a schedule, but a committee was  
appointed to meet in Birmingham next  
Sunday and prepare one. The committee  
consists of Charles Frank of Memphis, D.  
P. Burns of Mobile, E. C. Croft of At-  
lanta and Barry Holt of Montgomery. The  
league decided to open the season on April  
16, and continue until Labor day. The  
meeting adjourned until the next Sunday,  
to meet at Birmingham. All the clubs are  
in a prosperous condition, and the outlook  
is bright for a good season.

WHIST CONTESTS.

Some Pretty Games at the Capital  
Bicycle Club House.

Another compass whist contest took place  
at the Capital Bicycle Club Saturday even-  
ing. Some of the highest scores were made  
by pairs of non-members. This was partly  
owing to the pairing of the strong members  
of the club with weak players. Thirty  
duels were played. The scores were as  
follows, outside pairs being indicated by  
asterisks:

North and south—Britton and Cook, 192;  
Stephens and Spalding, 192; \*Young and  
Brown, 185; \*Bishop and Chase, 184; \*Rol-  
lings and Taylor, 184; \*Borchers and Jack-  
son, 183; Burns and Crook, 182; \*Hart  
and Quackenbush, 180; \*Tower and Tibbets,  
177; Schooley and Walker, 175. Average  
for north and south, 183-4-10.

East and west—Tallaferr and Davis,  
215; \*Fletcher and Gannett, 213; Lewis and  
Henry, 210; Coston and Williamson, 200;  
Crawley and Macdonald, 205; Williams and  
Harmon, 205; Cole and Peck, 204;  
Schmidt and Stetson, 202; Prince and Clark,  
201; Johnson and Goodrich, 190. Average  
for east and west, 206-4-10.

Ladies' drive duplicate whist was in-  
cluded in at the Capital Bicycle Club on  
Friday evening. The contest was played on  
tables, and thirteen boards were played.  
At the north and south positions at the  
tables Mr. Schoenburn and Miss Raven-  
burg made 90, the highest score. At the  
east and west places Mr. and Mrs. J. L.  
Wirt and Mr. Harvey and Mrs. Fletcher  
played 83 points each. Mr. and Mrs. Wirt  
won in drawing for the prize.

RACING AT CANNES.

Arisa Takes the Golet and Bennett  
Cups.

CANNES, March 16.—The chief events of  
the regatta here today were the races for  
the Challenge Cups given by Mr. Ogden  
Crest and Mr. James Gordon Bennett. The  
first of these cups, for yachts over 20-  
feet, was valued at \$300, and the second  
rating, for yachts under 20-feet, is valued at  
\$100, the cups to be won three times by the  
same yacht in order to become the prop-  
erty of the owner of the winning craft.  
The course in each case was triangular,  
and it had to be covered three times in  
order to complete the race. The distance of  
thirty miles, French Yacht Union rules,  
measurement and time allowance.

In the race for the large yachts, Arisa  
crossed the starting line first, with Sata-  
nita and Britannia close behind her. The  
following were the times at the start:

Arisa ..... H. M. S.  
Britannia ..... 11 15 00  
Satanita ..... 11 15 22

Upon reaching the open Britannia took  
the lead, but later she was overtaken and  
passed by both Arisa and Satanita.

The three yachts concluded the first  
round as follows:

Arisa ..... H. M. S.  
Satanita ..... 12 58 22  
Britannia ..... 12 58 34

Philadelphia in Training.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 16.—The  
Philadelphia base ball team started for  
Hampton, Va., today, where the players  
will spend the next two weeks practicing on  
the grounds at the Soldiers' Home  
at that place. Manager Clements is in  
charge, and with him were Clements, Hal-  
land, Delehanty, Turner, Taylor, Hulen,  
Grady, Cross, Thompson, Lucid, McGill,  
Brouthers, Inks, and Captain Nash, Carney,  
Sullivan, Boyle and Orth will join the  
team.

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as the rest of the house.

We have started in as we propose to hold out.

Our prices today are from 20 to 30 per cent lower than everybody  
else's—and they are high enough yet to pay us all the profit we are en-  
titled to.

Our stock today shows a variety a dozen times as large as the larg-  
est you've had to select from—and yet it is only complete—only what it  
should be.

You have had to put up with a lot of dissatisfaction. No wonder  
you've been doing the bulk of your buying out of town.

But we're not going to wear any agent yoke. That's too great a  
handicap. That accounts for all the high prices and limited stocks.  
They've had to sell what's been sent 'em—and mark it what they were  
told. We've jumped over the heads of all the middlemen—gone straight  
to the manufacturers with the money in our hands. Bought from this,  
that and the other one their specialties. In that way we've got the best  
in every line—got all the jobbers' discounts and all the cash discounts.

We don't think we've neglected a single detail—

Base Ball Goods, Tennis Goods, Gymnasium Goods, Golf Goods, Croquet Sets, Boxing Gloves, Fencing Goods, Foot Ball Goods, Athletic Shoes,	Men's Bicycles, Women's Bicycles, Boys' Bicycles, Bicycle Suits, Bicycle Sundries, Guns, Pistols, Fishing Outfits, Boats,	Men's Sweaters, Women's Sweaters, Club Uniforms, Gymnasium Suits, Rowing Suits, Yachting Suits, Hunting Suits, Riding Suits, Hammocks.
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A word to the clubs about their uniforms—let us give you an esti-  
mate. Samples and figures won't cost you anything—and we know that  
with the facilities we've got we can underbid any house—not only in  
Washington—but anywhere.

A word to the ladies—you've been entirely neglected heretofore—  
but we've provided for your wants with special thoroughness.

**Saks and Company,**  
Pa. Ave. and 7th St.—"Saks' Corner."

party at Hampton. Three other players,  
Madison, Beam and White, who are under  
contract with the Philadelphia club, have  
been loaned to the team which will repre-  
sent Philadelphia in the Pennsylvania State  
League.

A Report About Harley.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Danny" Coogan, the well-known ex-  
catcher of the University of Pennsylvania  
nine, and "Dick" Harley, the Georgetown  
University catcher (left column) have  
signed to play with the Springfield, Mass.,  
club of the Eastern League. Coogan will  
catch, and his fast, reliable work behind  
the bat and in throwing should make him  
a star of that league.

Cheaper Gas for Georgetown.

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

Allow me to respectfully suggest to the  
members of the Senate who seem anxious  
to do something for us on the gas question  
that calling on the gas company for an-  
other sworn statement seems a very trivial  
method of dealing with the situation. It

would be all right if these statements were  
subject to a critical and intelligent exami-  
nation at the hands of experts, and pro-  
vided that the Senate would also seek facts  
on the outside. In the opinion of many citi-  
zens such reports by the two gas compa-  
nies are nothing but skillfully concocted  
special pleas. On the face of things it may  
look to the uninitiated as if the Senate pro-  
poses, by securing these statements, to do  
something. As a matter of fact, the whole  
proceeding borders on the farcical.

For instance, on the strength of one of  
these statements of the Georgetown com-  
pany the House District committee drew  
the conclusion that Georgetown cannot be  
furnished with gas at a less price than  
\$1.25.

Instead of giving these gas companies so  
much of the valuable time of the two Dis-  
trict committees—I see they are to have an-  
other hearing—why does not the Senate  
pay the experts a little attention to the wise  
and exhaustive statement of facts sent by  
the Commissioners to Senator McMillan on  
February 12, in which the whole group of  
companies have secured for nothing, and  
which furnishes a stable basis for their  
great growth in capital, and a very im-  
portant fact—paid up from surplus earn-  
ings.

Haven't the gas companies had the floor  
about long enough? Now that they have  
been practically beaten on their main con-  
tention, not to reduce the price, they pro-  
pose to have their back door open by turn-  
ing the experts loose again, and securing a low-  
ered standard of excellence, so that all it  
will be necessary to do in order to keep the  
bills large as ever will be to pump in  
more air and increase the pressure.

C. M. C.

Are Religious People in the Minority?

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

In a recent communication to your valued  
paper, Mr. A. J. Boyer, attempting to con-  
trovert the statements of a couple of re-  
verend gentlemen, appears to go too far in  
the opposite extreme. We will not presume  
to intrude in other portions of their differ-  
ences, nor split hairs about religious peo-  
ple who are not Christians, but will touch  
upon the single point included in the head-  
ing of this letter.

Mr. Boyer writes: "Twenty millions out  
of the seventy millions of people in this  
country is the very highest estimate given  
anywhere of the entire membership in all  
the religious denominations, including Jews  
and other religiousists not Christians." On  
page 255 of The Evening Star Almanac for  
1896 the number of "Communicants or  
members of denominational families having  
\$50,000 or more" is given from the census  
of 1890 as 20,612,893; and as estimated in  
1894 by "The Independent," 22,974,523; and  
including "ministers" (presumably "religi-  
ous"), the total for 1894 was 24,007,745. At  
only the same rate of increase (which is

relatively less than the reality would be)  
the figures for 1896 would be 24,284,988.  
These twenty-four millions of "communi-  
cants or members" may be roughly divided  
into the three classes of men, women and  
youth of sufficient years of discretion to be  
communicants. If it be objected that the  
men might not number eight millions, it  
may be retorted that the women and others  
would make up the average. It is quite in-  
admissible to reckon "males of voting age"  
alone in this connection, though that is a  
very convenient method of getting rid of  
the majority of "religious people," such an  
argument might have been made still  
stronger if it had omitted all except bishops  
of three-score years and ten.

But in Mr. Boyer's "seventy millions of  
inhabitants" minors are included, of  
course. Now, most statisticians agree that  
an average domestic family consists of five  
persons. But in the typical groups among  
the twenty-four millions of communicants  
for 1896 there are only included three per-  
sons, say, a man, a woman and a youth  
of advanced understanding; so by the same  
reasoning which swells the total inhabi-  
tants to seventy millions, we should add  
two minor children to each family, making  
in round numbers twenty millions each.  
Men, women and youths, plus sixteen mil-  
lions of small children; the sum being  
forty millions "out of the seventy millions  
of inhabitants" or clear majority by this  
moderate computation. If minors are elimi-  
nated from both accounts, the "inhabi-  
tants" are reduced to three-fifths of sev-  
enty equal forty-two millions, and the  
communicants number twenty-four mil-  
lions—still a majority.

Mr. Boyer, among other things which  
he "wants to say in a public way," "ac-  
cepts the decision of the majority," it  
is hoped that we will "hear nothing but  
silence" from him on this point in future.

FRED. G. MCKEAN.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Deeds in fee have been filed as follows:

1. Everett Vail to Elkannah N. Waters, lot  
22, sq. 754; \$10. Fredk. A. Tschiffely, Jr., et  
ux, to Ida Geier, lots 255 and 256, sq. 1004;  
\$3,000. Elkannah N. Waters et ux, to I.  
Everett Vail, lot 190, sq. 890; \$10. Jas. F.  
Duhamel et ux, to Wm. H. Shipley, lot 118,  
sq. 133; \$10. Mary E. Page to Mary A.  
Spalding, part original lot 30, sq. 1074; \$10.  
Lizzie Hasbrouck et ux, to Geo. H. Dyer,  
lot 166, sq. 69; \$10. Job Barnard et al.,  
trustees, to J. H. Rowland, lots 148 to  
161, sq. 235; \$78. Chas. T. Sparo to  
Henry C. Darnell, lot 1, sq. 131; \$10.  
Chas. C. Meads et ux, to Abby R. Allen, lot  
21, sq. 51; \$10. Jno. L. Waggaman to Anna  
C. Yonson, part original lot 4, sq. 414; \$10.  
Chas. H. Coleman et ux, to Jno. C. Bonnet,  
part original lot 1, sq. 70; \$10. Jos. C.  
Anderson et ux, to Mary T. Hurlburt, lot  
94, Annapolis T. Reardon to Henry C.  
Harris Lindsey, lot 89, blk. 3, West Eok-  
ington; \$5. Walter S. Barker et ux, to  
Henry Nipman, lot 44, sq. 435; \$1,900. Fred.  
J. Haig to Johanna C. Block, lots 99, 61, 62,  
sq. 388; part lot 67, sq. 545; part lot 1, sq.  
820, and undivided half interest in part  
original lot 1, sq. 82; lot 11, sq. 236; part  
original lot 6, sq. 695, and lot 11, sq. 701;  
\$10. Edgar S. Kennedy et al. to Lizzie Has-  
brouck, Nora Hasbrouck and Eva Mag-  
nus, lots 165 and 166, sq. 69; \$10. Chas. T.  
Sparo et ux, to Jos. C. Havenor, lots 14  
and 15, blk. 4, Congress Heights; \$500.  
Lorenzo D. Matteson to Francois Viboud,  
lots 204, 205, 206, Jefferson B. Redd to  
Wm. A. Williamson, lot 357, Anacostia;  
\$10. Anna B. Spier to Alex. K. Phillips, lot  
45, sq. 32; \$12,000. James Waters et ux, to  
Chas. T. Sparo, part lot 1, section 6, Barry  
Farm; \$900. Brainard H. Warner et ux, to  
T. Conrad Dodge, part lots 23 and 24,  
lot 25, sq. 130, and lot 1, sq. 131; \$10.  
Philip D. Darnell, trustees, to Chas. T.  
Sparo, lot 30, sq. 131; \$2,720. Ella T.  
Murray to Chas. E. Gross, part original lot  
3, sq. 833; \$10. H. Ross Perry, trustee, to  
Great Falls Ice Company, lots 18 and 19,  
sq. 300; \$4,273.73. Chas. T. Sparo to Emile  
M. Darnell, lot 23, blk. 17, Meridian Hill;  
\$10. Jno. S. Swornstedt and Jno. T. Arms,  
trustees, to Elkannah N. Waters, part origi-  
nal lot 1, sq. 982; \$2,150. Harriet E. Wood  
to Volney S. Wood, west half lot 9, reserva-  
tion D; \$10. Jno. Cook, trustee, to Geo. W.  
Haynes, lot 150, sq. 1051; \$1,500. Chas. W.  
Fairfax to Jas. D. Morgan, part lot 98, sq.  
218; \$1,877.44. Same to Jno. L. Warner,  
part same lot; \$1,012.50. Nicholas T. Haller  
et ux, to Jno. H. Nolan, lot 150, sq. 151;  
\$10. Bedford Proctor et ux, to Chas. W.  
Fairfax, part lot 68, sq. 215; \$2,700. Brain-  
ard H. Warner et ux, to Lescares Grandy,  
lot 197, blk. 27, Long Meadows; \$1,200. Same  
to Chas. C. Dawson, lot 196, blk. 27, Long  
Meadows; \$1,200.

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est on Drugs known to the world, consequently you know what  
it is for Mertz to cut "Mertz's" prices. Such sacrifice selling is  
solely due to the liberal patronage you have bestowed upon us  
for the past ten years, and for which we are exceedingly grateful.  
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you the

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On prices other druggists would charge you.

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cent discount off original prices.

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common Perfumery sold at dry goods  
stores. It is the very highest grade Per-  
fumery made.

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Roses and Myrrh for the teeth and  
gums.....10c.

Cooper's Hair Success.....10c.

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freckles.....33c.

Kennedy's Foot Powder.....10c.

Hind's Honey and Almond Cream.....10c.

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Chas. E. Darnell, large size.....50c.

Queen Anne Tooth Powder.....10c.

Malvina Cream, small size.....33c.

Java Rice Powder.....10c.

Julie's Toilet Powder.....10c.

Lot of Fine Toilet Soap, special  
price to close out, dozen cakes.....50c.

Mme. La Ferre's Toilet Soap, per  
box of 3 cakes.....25c.